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Texas Department of State Health Services

**Houston Ship Channel Fish Advisory – March 27, 2019**

DSHS has updated its **fish consumption advisory** for the upper Houston Ship Channel and now recommends no one eat any species of fish or crab from the ship channel or San Jacinto River north of the State Highway 146 Fred Hartman Bridge. Volatile organic compounds in the water following the ITC fire may affect the safety of seafood harvested in the area.

The fish advisory previously recommended children and women of childbearing age not eat seafood from the area and women past childbearing age and adult men limit consumption to one meal per month due to contamination by dioxins and PCBs.

DSHS will continue to monitor TCEQ water sampling data to determine whether any further changes are needed.

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**To:** Heather Biggs

**Subject:** RE: Galveston Bay Estuary Fish Consumption Advisories

Hi, Heather. Our commissioner this morning approved a modification to our fish advisory recommending no one eat seafood from the upper ship channel. I've attached an update and an amended map we'll be posting on our website shortly. Would you also share with your colleagues at TPWD? Let me know if you have any questions.

Chris

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